

CLASS SPECIFICATION
County of Fairfax, Virginia

CLASS CODE: 3732

TITLE: NATURALIST II

GRADE: S-21

DEFINITION:

Under supervision, to manage the naturalist programs at a nature center within a major historical park; to supervise interpretative operations at a site; and to do related work as required.

TYPICAL TASKS:

Supervises interpretative programs and facilities at a site, including actual presentation of programs, preparation of exhibits and other interpretative media, and composition of pertinent written materials;

Assists in staff and program scheduling;

Prepares reports and budget justification;

Assists in the collection of field data for environmental impact statements in connection with land use planning;

May work with public schools' representatives on naturalist/conservation phases of outdoor education programs;

Assists senior naturalists as required.

REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES:

Considerable knowledge of nature conservation theory and philosophy;

Considerable knowledge of conservation program management practices;

Knowledge of County operating policies;

Ability to manage and operate interpretation/conservation programs at a site;

Ability to speak and write effectively;

Ability to supervise assigned staff;

Ability to develop and maintain effective working relationships with staff and public officials.

EMPLOYMENT STANDARDS:

Any combination of education and experience equivalent to graduation from an accredited four-year college or university with a bachelor's degree in biology, wildlife management, natural history, environmental education or a closely related field; plus two years of progressively responsible experience in the field of interpretation or conservation management.

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